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TO : Maxwell Chaplin - Chargé

DATE: October 25, 1977

FROM : F. Allen Harris - POL

SUBJECT: Rosenthal-Deutsch Foncon

Rabbi Rosenthal did get through to Mrs. Deutsch in Cordoba on October 20. Mrs. Deutsch said that the entire family lost their cédulas three months ago, prior to their arrest in August. They were "taken from a pocket book." Although they reported the cédulas stolen and immediately applied for new ones, only Suzanna has received a replacement. At that time, they lost not only their cédulas, but their passports and other documents as well.

The youngest daughter Liliana (who is still under detention) has her passport in a travel agency in Buenos Aires. One other daughter has her passport in Cordoba. However, the parents and one daughter do not have passports.

Rabbi Rosenthal raised the question that the entire family having their documents stolen appears strange. He especially noted the fact that they had not all been issued new ones. Rosenthal did not push this question with Mrs. Deutsch because they were speaking on an open (and presumably tapped) phone line.

Mrs. Deutsch confirmed she is back at work and sends her regards to Marta, her sister-in-law in the U.S. He plans to call the Deutsch family in California from Brazil to brief them.

Rosenthal met with Chardy of the AP yesterday and gave him the story that he discussed with us yesterday morning.

He was very appreciative of the help the Embassy offered him during his two brief visits.

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